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SUBJECT: PL 480, TITLE I FOODGRAINS

REF: (A) DACCA A-40 (B) STATE 64688 (C) TOFAS 41

1. DR EKRAM HOSSAIN, JOINT SECRETARY, PC TOLD USAID DIRECTOR BDG WANTED 50,000 MT MORE RICE UNDER FY 1975 PL 480, TITLE I AGREEMENT. LATER HOSSAID TOLD AG ATTACHE THEIR AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON HAS BEEN PRACTICALLY ORDERED TO GET 50,000 MT MORE RICE. HOSSAID SAID THAT THIS REQUEST OUT OF REMAINING BALANCE OF 200,000 MT GRAIN REQUESTED ON MARCH 24 (REF A).

2. COMMENT: HOSSAIN HAD INKLING OF 50,000 MT MORE RICE THAT MIGHT BECOME AVAILABLE FY 1975 (REF B). WHEN QUESTIONED HOW BDG COULD HANDLE MORE BAGGED RICE WITH ARRIVAL AUGUST AT LATEST (TDD JUNE 30), HE EVASIVELY SAID WILL BE DONE SOMEHOW. CERTAINLY GAVE IMPRESSION THAT INSTRUCTIONS REQUEST RICE CAME FROM MINISTERIAL LEVEL OR FROM THE PRESIDENT. WHEN HOSSAIN ASKED ABOUT FINANCING FREIGHT, HE SAID CATEGORICALLY WAY WILL BE FOUND. WONDER NOW IF FOOD JOINT SECRETARY FOR PROCUREMENT INQUIRY AS TO FIRMNESS OF JUNE 30 TDDS (REF C) WAS COINCIDENTAL OR IS ACTUALLY RELATED TO POSSIBLE INSUFFICIENT FUNDS FINANCE OT ON OUTSTANDING AND FURTHER WHEAT AND RICE PA'S FOR FY 1975 PROGRAM.

3. CT FEELS THAT BEFORE CONSIDERATION ADDITIONAL BAGGED RICE, BDG SHOULD FULLY JUSTIFY REQUEST, ASSURE BOTH OT FINANCING
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PRIOR JUNE 30 AND THAT CAN RECEIVE AND HANDLE RICE EITHER IN

LARGE SHIPS OR LASH.
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